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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant	: Vishnu K. Agarwal	Attorney Docket No.:	501082.02 (30051/US/1)
Serial No.	: 09/652,994	Group Art Unit	: 2815
Filed	: August 31, 2000	Examiner	: Jesse A. Fenty
Title	: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR PROTECTING AGAINST OXIDATION OF A CONDUCTIVE LAYER IN SAID DEVICE		

**REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF PREVIOUSLY-FILED
SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS**

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Applicant requests that the enclosed Supplemental Information Disclosure Statements, which were originally filed on May 28, 2003 and June 23, 2003, be considered and made of record in the above-identified patent application.

During a review of the file for the above-identified application, applicant's representative discovered that a signed copy of the PTO-1449's filed on May 28, 2003 and June 23, 2003, have not been received from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. In the Examiner's comment in the Notice Of Allowance dated September 2, 2003, Examiner Jesse A. Fenty states that these Information Disclosure Statements have not been received in the application file. Enclosed is a copy of the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statements and date-stamped

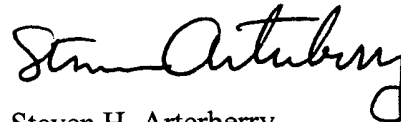
postcards indicating that the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statements were received by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on May 30, 2003 and June 27, 2003 respectively.

The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney at (206) 903-8787 should there be any questions regarding this request.

Applicant believes that no fee is due with this communication. Should a fee be required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge said fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1266.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures:

- Postcard
- Copy of Request
- Copy of Supplemental IDS filed May 28, 2003
- Copy of Form PTO-1449 filed May 28, 2003
- Copy of Supplemental IDS filed June 23, 2003
- Copy of Form PTO-1449 filed June 23, 2003
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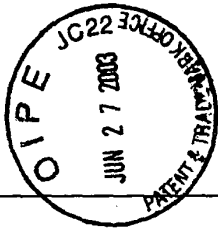


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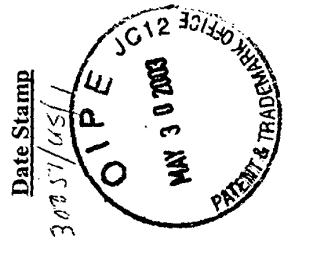
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